

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

The present invention relates to a method of managing the use of rented electric home appliances such as a washing machine, a dish washer, and so on, through a communication network and charging for the use thereof. The method includes receiving information on use of the appliance through a communication network, calculating a charge for use of the appliance based on the received information, and transmitting the calculated charge to a user's terminal through the communication network. The method obviates the need to buy home appliances and avoids the inconvenience of appliance installation, maintenance, replacement and moving. Additionally, a subscriber can easily upgrade to a brand-new appliance as provided by the rental company. As a result, the rental service provider can satisfy various consumer's or subscriber's needs promptly resulting in increased profits.